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**A. Statement under 37 CFR 1.104(c)(4)(ii)(A) or 37 CFR 1.104(c)(5)(ii)(A) as applicable. Check either box 1 or 2.**

Patentee hereby certifies that a statement ("JRA statement") in accordance with 37 CFR 1.104(c)(4)(ii)(A) or 37 CFR 1.104(c)(5)(ii)(A)

1. ☐ was previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
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**Note:** For the requirements of the JRA statement, see either (1) 35 U.S.C. 102(c), 37 CFR 1.104(c)(4)(ii)(A) and MPEP 717.02(a)(II) if the instant patent is subject to the First-Inventor-to-File provision of the AIA; or (2) pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(c)(2), 37 CFR 1.104(c)(5)(ii)(A), and MPEP 2146.02 if the instant patent is subject to 35 U.S.C. 102 in effect on March 15, 2013.

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